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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action of March 23, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 3, 4, 5, 7, 8-16, 12, 13-16, 18-20, and 22-39 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 2, 6, 11, 17, and 21 as follows:

1. *Sub 7*  
An isolated regulatory element that is capable of driving transcription in a seed-preferred manner, wherein said regulatory element comprises a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of: